which the prisoners were convicted. The present classification takes this element as well as social standing and mode of life into consideration.''

SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR :—" ഇതു ബ്രിട്ടീഷ് പാരമ്പര്യം തുടരുകയല്ലേ, സാർ ? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR :—" This is only to see that justice is done to the prisoner as well as to society."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Will the Hon. Minister explain a little more the expression social standing and mode of life."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" It is a very difficult thing to answer such a question. I can give an illustration only. Suppose a Member of Parliament or a Member of the Legislature commits an offence. His standing is different from that of a habitual offender."

Grant of a portion of land revenue to panchayat boards.

* 388-F *Q.*—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state what portion of the land revenue was given to the panchayat boards in the State prior to the passing of the Village Panchayat Act?

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" No portion of land revenue was given to panchayats prior to the passing of the Madras Village Panchayats Act, 1950."

SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR :—" പുതിയ പഞ്ചായത്തു ബോർഡുകളിൽ നിന്നു് ഇതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു് ഗവർമ്മെണ്ടിനു് എന്തെങ്കിലും റിപ്രസന്റേഷൻ കിട്ടിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ ? "

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" Yes, Sir. So many representations have been made by panchayats for getting 12½ per cent of the land revenue collections from the Government."

Scale of pay of Hindustani teachers.

* 388-G *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Hindustani teachers, who have successfully undergone " Pandits Training " in any approved institution, are exempted from holding Pracharak Diploma; and

(*b*) whether such instructors are eligible for I grade scale of pay?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) Such Instructors, if they have the necessary language and general educational qualifications are eligible for the Grade I scale of pay provided that they have work for not less than 17 hours in the higher forms of High schools."